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June 10, 1957

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
ECONOMIC DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

10:30 a.m. Friday, June 7, 1957
Room 1213 Maiatico

Attendance:

MDAC

Mr. Hale, Chairman
Mr. Anderson
Mr. Kramer, Executive Secretary
Mrs. Huver, Committee Secretary

ICA

Mr. Slaght

State

Mr. Wright
Mr. Knoll

CIA

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Treasury

Mr. Pollak

Commerce

Mr. Hockersmith

Defense

Col. Green

Agenda:

Note a. Defense distribution of "History of COCOM/CHINCOM" and a chart.

1. Proposed sale of aircraft to Poland by [REDACTED]
2. Review of Economic Defense Policy (NSC 5704/1).

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Note a. The Defense member distributed, for the use of the members, a paper entitled "History of COCOM/CHINCOM" and a chart showing the several proposals for "differential" controls put forth at various stages during the CHINCOM negotiations. A large part of the history was taken from the first draft of the 9th Battle Act Report. ✓

1. Proposed sale of aircraft to Poland by [REDACTED]

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The State member announced that circumstances prevented their bringing this matter before the Committee at this meeting. It will be presented in Working Group I early next week for regular handling.

2. Review of Economic Defense Policy (NSC 5704/1)

Decisions

A meeting of the Executive Committee would be held on Tuesday, June 11, 1957, at which time the members felt they could be prepared to present the proposals of their agencies for drafting a revision of NSC 5704/1. The meeting was subsequently postponed until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 12. ✓

The members were also requested to be prepared with the positions of their agencies on whether the U.S. should participate in a discussion in CHINCOM of special quotas for China on List II items.

Discussion

The Chairman called attention to POLTO 2925, which he felt was an excellent analysis of the events in CHINCOM.

There was a general discussion of this message, the over-all control program, and the U.S. economic defense policy. The members were in agreement that, in view of the existing circumstances, a revision of the economic defense program is necessary and, further, that the controls hereafter would have to stand the strict tests of realism and efficacy but would still have to provide an escape valve in the form of an exceptions procedure.

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